

FOCUS40 UPDATE

February 5th FMCB Presentation

Today's purpose

- To share project status
- To receive feedback on FMCB engagement prior to draft release
- To receive feedback on public outreach approach
- To discuss and receive feedback on outputs of plan:
 - How we are talking about Priority Places
 - How we are talking about potential investments that are not underway
 - How we are talking about implementation

The Focus40 Team will release a draft in Spring 2018

Timeline	Task
October	Presented to FMCB on Framework and Investment Programs
November	Presented to FMCB on Priority Places and Policy Framework
December – January	Continuing MBTA engagement, finalizing programs, places, and report text, MAPC Inner Core outreach
February	Subject matter designees, Deputy GM, and GM to do final review and sign off on all Investment Programs
February – March	Continue targeted stakeholder outreach
Late March 	Draft Release
Late March/April	Outreach on Draft Plan (30 day public comment)
May 	Final Focus40 Release Event

 = Milestones

Topics for Discussion:

- ✓ Additional FMCB engagement
- ✓ Release draft at FMCB meeting?

The Focus40 Team will receive feedback on the draft

Focus40 plans to approach the draft release with the following additional public engagement:

- Meetings with municipalities, advocates/community groups
- Press on the draft plan to raise awareness
- Web comment on draft
- Presentations at stakeholder meetings
- Public event at final release
- Continued meetings with municipal partners to work towards implementation

Topics for Discussion:

- ✓ Is this approach appropriate?
- ✓ Is there specific feedback you would be interested in?

Focus40 is taking a proactive approach to identifying areas for new or improved service

Typologies

Major
Employment/Destinations
Outside Downtown

Dense Inner Core
Neighborhoods
w/o Rapid Transit

Urban Gateways
beyond Rapid Transit

Approach

- These are places where the MBTA will proactively advance partnerships, study solutions, and prioritize in project selection.
- On a regular basis, the MBTA will review and update whether additional locations have evolved sufficiently to become a Priority Place.
- The Focus40 Team is planning on highlighting illustrative places within each typology, demonstrating why they would help support broader regional goals—such as affordable housing—and are likely to generate ridership, as well as types of strategies that could help address identified challenges.

Topics for Discussion:

- ✓ Is this approach to places acceptable to the board?
- ✓ How specific should the plan be in naming illustrative places within the typologies?

Focus40 will help set priorities for investments throughout the system

Programs:

- Customer Experience
- Accessibility
- Resiliency
- Clean Vehicles
- Silver Line
- Better Bus
- Water Transportation
- Paratransit
- Commuter Rail Connections
- Red Line
- Orange Line
- Green Line
- Blue Line
- Rapid Transit-wide

Topics for Discussion:

- ✓ Robust vs. Think Big
- ✓ Elements of interest in final presentation

Immediate: Underway or committing to in the next five years (CIP)

(Examples: AFC. 2.0, Orange and Red Line Vehicle & Infrastructure Program, TSP expansion)

Robust: Important for the system in any scenario

(Examples: Larger scale SGR and modernization such as: fortify OCC, reconfigure tracks at RL bottlenecks, priority station accessibility upgrades, bus rapid transit investments)

Think Big: Complex projects that may only be important in some scenarios

(Examples: rail extensions, transformative technologies, infill stations, major station modernization)

Focus40 will be a roadmap for future investment

- Foundation for municipal partnerships
- Implementation through capital planning and project selection
- Framework for follow-on studies:
 1. Bus Network Redesign
 2. Studies/project development to advance Robust initiatives
 - Maintenance/storage facility site plans and acquisition
 - Reimagining park and rides & station parking
 - Blue Line needs assessment and prioritization
 3. Planning studies in partnership with priority places
 4. Studies to advance Think Big ideas
- Annual, pre-CIP review to track status, incorporate new information and set upcoming priorities

APPENDIX

Focus40 will describe needs and opportunities, strategic investments, and implementation highlights for each Investment Program

